



PUBLIC INFORMATION OPEN HOUSE MEETING

Quality Inn & Suites/Sandhills Convention Center
Caboose Room, 2102 S. Jeffers St., North Platte, NE
Thursday, February 28, 2013; 4:00–6:00 PM

BH-83-2(137) *South Platte River Bridges, North Platte*; CN 61500

LOCATION: This proposed project is located on U. S. Highway 83 (US-83) within the corporate limits of North Platte, Lincoln County. It would begin on US-83 (also known as the Blue Star Memorial Highway) just south of the South Platte River Bridges (Mile Marker 81.98) and extends north, 0.16 miles, to just north of the South Platte River Bridges. It includes both the northbound bridge (S. Dewey St.) and the southbound bridge (S. Jeffers St.)

PURPOSE AND NEED: The purpose of this project is to preserve the US-83 transportation asset, improve the reliability of the transportation system and perpetuate the mobility of the traveling public. The need for this project is based on the condition of the bridges and the need for a new deck on the northbound bridge.

SCOPE OF WORK: The improvements on this project would consist of repairing the two US-83 South Platte River Bridges. The planned bridge improvements on the northbound structure include concrete repair, re-decking, and building new bridge rail. The bridge improvements of the southbound structure include concrete repair, updating bridge rail, repairing and overlaying the deck. Guardrail would be updated at both bridges, in addition to the construction of new approach slabs. The pedestrian walkway on the southbound bridge would be upgraded to meet current State and Federal guidelines.

TRAFFIC VOLUMES:

U.S. Highway 83 (US-83)

Year	2014	2034
Vehicles Per Day (ADT)	20,500	25,030
% Trucks	6%	6%

ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE: Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin as early as summer of 2014 and be completed by late fall of the same year.

PROPOSED ACCOMMODATION OF TRAFFIC: The proposed construction would be done “under traffic” (without diverting US-83 traffic). Phasing would provide for lane closures on both bridges. One lane of traffic would remain open on both the northbound and southbound bridges during construction. The pedestrian and bike trail traversing and crossing under the bridges would be closed during the construction with trail detours designated on the existing city trail system.

RIGHT-OF-WAY: No new right-of-way (ROW) acquisitions are anticipated.

POTENTIAL IMPACTS: No permanent wetlands impacts are anticipated. Temporary wetlands impacts are expected during construction.

ESTIMATED COST: The estimated cost is approximately \$3.1 million.